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 X^1 and X^2 are each oxygen or sulfur;

W is $\{ \text{C(R}^8\text{)}-\text{X}^5, \text{C(R}^8\text{)}(\text{X}^{14}\text{R}^6)(\text{X}^{14}\text{R}^7), \text{C(R}^8\text{)}=\text{C(R}^9\text{)}-\text{CN}, \text{C(R}^8\text{)}=\text{C(R}^9\text{)}-\text{CO-R}^{10}, \text{CH(R}^8\text{)}-\text{CH(R}^9\text{)}-\text{CO-R}^{10}, \text{C(R}^8\text{)}=\text{C(R}^9\text{)}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CO-R}^{10}, \text{C(R}^8\text{)}=\text{C(R}^9\text{)}-\text{C(R}^{11}\text{)}=\text{C(R}^{12}\text{)}-\text{CO-R}^{10} \text{ or } \text{C(R}^8\text{)}=\text{C(R}^9\text{)}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH(R}^{13}\text{)}-\text{CO-R}^{10} \text{ where}$

~~$\{X^1 \text{ and } X^2 \text{ are each oxygen or sulfur,}$~~

~~$\{X^5 \text{ is oxygen, sulfur or a radical NR}^{14},\}$~~

~~$\{R^{14} \text{ is hydrogen, hydroxyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-cycloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyloxy, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyloxy, C}_5\text{-C}_7\text{-cycloalkoxy, C}_5\text{-C}_7\text{-cycloalkenyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkoxy, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkenyloxy, hydroxy-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, cyano-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_3\text{-C}_7\text{-cycloalkyl-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy-C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkylcarbonyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkylcarbonyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkylcarbamoyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkylcarbamoyloxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl-C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkylthio-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, di-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkylamino-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, phenyl which may carry from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy and C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl, phenyl-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, phenyl-C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyloxy or phenyl-C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyloxy, where one or two methylene groups of each of the carbon chains may be replaced with -O-, -S- or -N(C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl)- and each phenyl ring may carry from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyl-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy, heterocyclyl-C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyloxy or heterocyclyl-C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyloxy, where one or two methylene groups of each of the carbon chains may be replaced with -O-, -S- or -N(C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl)- and the heterocyclyl ring may be from three-membered to sevenmembered and saturated, unsaturated or aromatic and may contain from one to four hetero atoms selected from a group consisting of one or two oxygen or sulfur atoms and up to four nitrogen atoms and furthermore may carry from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy or C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl,}$~~

~~$\{ \text{or -N(R}^{15}\text{)R}^{16}, \text{ where}$~~

~~$\{R^{15} \text{ and } R^{16} \text{ are each hydrogen, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl, C}_3\text{-C}_6\text{-cycloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-haloalkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkylcarbonyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl, C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy-carbonyl-C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl or C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxycarbonyl-C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl, where the alkenyl chain may additionally carry from one to three of the following radicals: halogen and cyano or phenyl which may}$~~

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carry from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, ~~C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, or~~

~~[R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ together with the common nitrogen atom form a saturated or unsaturated 4-membered to 7-membered heterocyclic structure, where one ring member may be replaced with -O-, -S-, -N=, -NH- or -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)-;]~~

~~[R⁶ and R⁷ are each C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, or]~~

~~[R⁶ and R⁷ together form a saturated or unsaturated, two-membered to four-membered carbon chain which may carry an oxo substituent, where one member of this chain may be replaced with an oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen atom which is not adjacent to X³ and X⁴, and where the chain may carry from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, amino, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₂-C₆-alkenyloxy, C₂-C₆-alkynyloxy, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, hydroxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyloxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyloxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkoxy, carboxyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyloxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl and phenyl which may carry from one to three of the following radicals: halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, and where the chain may furthermore be substituted by a fused-on or spiral-bonded three-membered to seven-membered ring, and one or two carbon atoms of this ring may be replaced with oxygen, sulfur and unsubstituted or C₁-C₆-alkyl-substituted nitrogen atoms and this ring may carry one or two of the following substituents: cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-cyanoalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;]~~

R⁸ is hydrogen, cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₂-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R⁹ and R¹² are each hydrogen, cyano, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R¹⁰ is hydrogen, O-R¹⁷, S-R¹⁷, C₁-C₆-alkyl which may furthermore carry one or two C₁-C₆-alkoxy substituents, or ~~[R¹⁰ is]~~

C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkyliminoxy, -N(R¹⁵)R¹⁶ or

phenyl which ~~{may carry}~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy [or] and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ are each hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₂-C₆-alkenyl, where the alkenyl chain is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: halogen and cyano, or phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, or

R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ together with the common nitrogen atom form a saturated or unsaturated 4-membered to 7-membered heterocyclic structure, where one ring member is optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -N=, -NH- or -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)-;

R¹⁷ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-haloalkenyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl, ~~{or}~~ C₁-C₆-alkyloximino-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl,

phenyl or phenyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, where each of the phenyl radicals ~~{in turn may carry}~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R¹¹ is hydrogen, cyano, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

-NR¹⁸R¹⁹, where R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ have the same meanings as R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, or

phenyl which ~~{may furthermore carry}~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents:

cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R¹³ is hydrogen, cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl; or

R⁹ and R¹⁰ together form a two-membered to five-membered carbon chain in which one carbon atom may be replaced with oxygen, sulfur or unsubstituted or C₁-C₆-alkyl-substituted nitrogen;

R¹ is halogen, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl;

R² is hydrogen or halogen;

R³ is hydrogen, nitro, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₈-cycloalkyl, C₃-C₈-cycloalkylcarbonyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, formyl, C₁-C₆-alkanoyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl;

a group -N(R²⁰)R²¹, where R²⁰ and R²¹ have one of the meanings of R¹⁵ and R¹⁶;

phenyl or phenyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, where each phenyl ring [may carry] is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R⁴ is hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₂-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₈-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl or phenyl which ~~[may carry]~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R⁵ is hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₂-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl, formyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₂-C₆-alkenyl,

-N(R²²)R²³, where R²² and R²³ have one of the meanings of R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, or

phenyl which ~~may carry~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, or

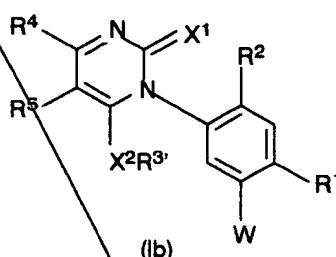
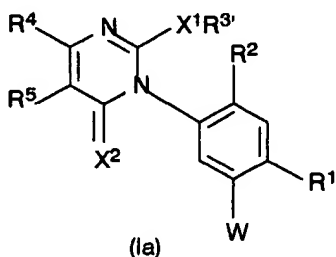
R⁴ and R⁵ together form a saturated or unsaturated 3-membered or 4-membered carbon chain which ~~may contain~~ optionally contains from one to three of the following hetero atoms: 1 or 2 oxygen atoms, 1 or 2 sulfur atoms and from 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms, and the chain ~~may furthermore carry~~ is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, amino, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-alkylthio and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

with the proviso that R⁴ ~~may~~ is not ~~be~~ trifluoromethyl ~~at the same time as~~ when R⁵ is hydrogen ~~when~~ and W is -CH=CH-CO-R¹⁰ where R¹⁰ is C₁-C₆-alkoxy or C₃-C₇-cycloalkoxy, and

with the proviso that R⁹ is halogen when R⁴ and R⁵ are ~~not~~ simultaneously hydrogen ~~when~~ and W is CH(R⁸)-CH(R⁹)-CO-R¹⁰ ~~and R⁹ is not halogen~~,

~~and the salts and enol ethers~~ or a salt or an enol form of ~~these compounds~~ the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen.

2. (amended) ~~Compounds of~~ An enol ether of the compound of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~represented by the general~~ formula Ia or formula Ib



~~where the variables R¹, R², R⁴, R⁵, X¹, X² and W have the meanings stated in claim 1 and~~ wherein R^{3'} is ~~one of the following groups:~~ C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl or C₃-C₆-alkynyl,

with the proviso that R⁴ ~~may~~ is not ~~be~~ trifluoromethyl ~~at the same time as~~ when R⁵ is hydrogen ~~when~~ and W is -CH=CH-CO-R¹⁰ where R¹⁰ is C₁-C₆-alkoxy or C₃-C₆-cycloalkoxy.

3. (amended) ~~A~~ The compound ~~as claimed~~ of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~or~~ ~~2~~ its salt or enol form, wherein W is [-C(R⁸)=X⁵, -C(R⁸)(X³R⁶)(X⁴R⁷),] -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-CO-R¹⁰ or -CH(R⁸)-CH(R⁹)-CO-R¹⁰.

4. (amended) ~~{A}~~ The compound ~~{as claimed}~~ of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~{or 2}~~, wherein R³ is C₁-C₆-alkyl.
5. (amended) ~~{A}~~ The compound ~~{as claimed}~~ of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~{or 2}~~ its salt or enol form, wherein R² is hydrogen or fluorine.
6. (amended) ~~{A}~~ The compound ~~{as claimed}~~ of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~{or 2}~~ its salt or enol form, wherein R¹ is chlorine or bromine.
7. (amended) ~~{A}~~ The compound ~~{as claimed}~~ of formula I defined in claim 1 ~~{or 2}~~ its salt or enol form, wherein R⁴ is C₁-C₆-haloalkyl.

Cancel Claims 8 to 11. Amend Claims 12 to 18 to read as follows:

12. (amended) A ~~{herbicide containing}~~ herbicidal composition comprising an inert liquid or solid carrier and ~~{a herbicidal}~~ an effective amount of at least one ~~{substituted}~~ 3-phenyluracil of ~~{the}~~ formula I ~~{as claimed}~~ defined in claim 1, ~~{or of the formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2}~~ or ~~{a}~~ the salt or ~~{an}~~ the enol ~~{ether}~~ form of ~~{those compounds}~~ the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen.
13. (amended) A method for controlling undesirable plant growth, wherein ~~{a herbicidal}~~ an effective amount of ~~{a substituted}~~ the 3-phenyluracil of ~~{the}~~ formula I ~~{as claimed}~~ defined in claim 1, ~~{or of the formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2}~~ or ~~{a}~~ the salt or ~~{an}~~ the enol ~~{ether}~~ form of ~~{those compounds}~~ the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen, is allowed to act on plants, on their habitat or on seed.
14. (amended) [An agent] A composition for the desiccation ~~{and}~~ or defoliation of plants, ~~{containing, in addition to}~~ comprising conventional additives, ~~{and}~~ an effective amount, ~~{having a defoliant or desiccant effect,}~~ of at least one ~~{substituted}~~ 3-phenyluracil of ~~{the}~~ formula I ~~{as claimed}~~ defined in claim 1, ~~{or of the formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2}~~ or ~~{a}~~ the salt or ~~{an}~~ the enol ~~{ether}~~ form of ~~{those compounds}~~ the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen.

15. (amended) A method for the desiccation ~~{and}~~ or defoliation of plants, wherein an effective amount, ~~{having a defoliant and/or des-~~

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~~icant effect,~~ of ~~a substituted~~ the 3-phenyluracil of formula I ~~as claimed~~ defined in claim 1 ~~for Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2~~ is allowed to act on the plants.

(amended) ~~A~~ The method ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1⁹, wherein cotton is defoliated.

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17. (amended) A ~~pesticide containing~~ pesticidal composition comprising an inert ~~carriers~~ carrier and ~~a pesticidal~~ an effective amount of at least one ~~substituted~~ 3-phenyluracil of ~~the~~ formula I ~~as claimed~~ defined in claim 1, ~~for of the formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2~~ or ~~of a~~ the salt or ~~of an~~ the enol ~~ether~~ form of ~~these compounds~~ the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen.

18. (amended) A method for controlling pests, wherein ~~a pesticidal~~ an effective amount of ~~a substituted~~ the 3-phenyluracil of ~~the~~ formula I ~~as claimed~~ defined in claim 1, ~~for of the formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 2~~ or ~~of a~~ the salt or ~~of an~~ the enol ~~ether of these compounds~~ form of the compound of formula I in which R³ is hydrogen, is allowed to act on pests or their habitat.

Cancel Claim 19. Enter new Claims 20 to 43 as follows:

20. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R³ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-haloalkyl.

21. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R⁴ is C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, or the salt or enol form thereof when R³ is hydrogen.

22. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R⁵ is hydrogen, halogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or the salt or enol form thereof when R³ is hydrogen.

23. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R⁸ is hydrogen, or the salt or enol form thereof when R³ is hydrogen.

24. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R⁹ is halogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or the salt or enol form thereof when R³ is hydrogen.

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25. (new) The compound of formula I defined in claim 1, wherein R^{10} is $-OR^{17}$ or $-N(R^{15})R^{16}$, or the salt or enol form thereof when R^3 is hydrogen.

26. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein W is $-C(R^8)=C(R^9)-CO-R^{10}$ or $-CH(R^8)-CH(R^9)-CO-R^{10}$.

Sub B5 27. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^3 is C_1-C_6 -alkyl.

28. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^2 is hydrogen or fluorine.

29. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^1 is chlorine or bromine.

30. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^4 is C_1-C_6 -haloalkyl.

31. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^4 is C_1-C_6 -alkyl or C_1-C_6 -haloalkyl.

32. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^5 is hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_6 -alkyl.

33. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^8 is hydrogen.

34. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^9 is halogen or C_1-C_6 -alkyl.

35. (new) The enol ether defined in claim 2, wherein R^{10} is $-OR^{17}$ or $-N(R^{15})R^{16}$.

36. (new) A herbicidal composition comprising an inert liquid or solid carrier and an effective amount of at least one enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2.

37. (new) A method for controlling undesirable plant growth, wherein an effective amount of the enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2 is allowed to act on plants, on their habitat or on seed.

38. (new) A composition for the desiccation or defoliation of plants comprising conventional additives and an effective amount of at least one enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2.

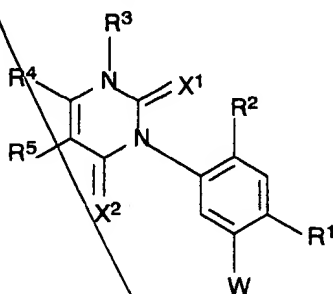
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a3 39. (new) A method for the desiccation or defoliation of plants, wherein an effective amount of the enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2 is allowed to act on the plants.

sub B7 40. (new) The method of claim 39, wherein cotton is defoliated.

41. (new) A pesticidal composition comprising an inert carrier and an effective amount of at least one enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2.

42. (new) A method for controlling pests, wherein an effective amount of the enol ether of formula Ia or Ib defined in claim 2 is allowed to act on pests or their habitat.

43. (new) A 3-phenyluracil of formula I



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where

X¹ and X² are each oxygen or sulfur;

W is -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-CN, -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-CO-R¹⁰, -CH(R⁸)-CH(R⁹)-CO-R¹⁰, -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-CH₂-CO-R¹⁰, -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-C(R¹¹)=C(R¹²)-CO-R¹⁰ or -C(R⁸)=C(R⁹)-CH₂-CH(R¹³)-CO-R¹⁰ where

R⁸ is hydrogen, cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₂-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R⁹ and R¹² are each hydrogen, cyano, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R¹⁰ is hydrogen, O-R¹⁷, S-R¹⁷, C₁-C₆-alkyl which may furthermore carry one or two C₁-C₆-alkoxy substituents, or C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkyliminoxy, -N(R¹⁵)R¹⁶ or

phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halo-

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gen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ are each hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₂-C₆-alkenyl, where the alkenyl chain is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: halogen and cyano, or phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, or

R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ together with the common nitrogen atom form a saturated or unsaturated 4-membered to 7-membered heterocyclic structure, where one ring member is optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -N=, -NH- or -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)-;

R¹⁷ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-haloalkenyl, cyano-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkyloximino-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl,

phenyl or phenyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl, where each of the phenyl radicals is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

R¹¹ is hydrogen, cyano, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₃-C₆-alkynyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

-NR¹⁸R¹⁹, where R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ have the same meanings as R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, or

phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following substituents: cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₃-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy and C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl;

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- R^{13} is hydrogen, cyano, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl or C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl;
or
- R^9 and R^{10} together form a two-membered to five-membered carbon chain in which one carbon atom may be replaced with oxygen, sulfur or unsubstituted or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl-substituted nitrogen;
- R^1 is halogen, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl;
- R^2 is hydrogen or halogen;
- R^3 is hydrogen, nitro, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_3 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_3 - C_6 -alkynyl, C_3 - C_8 -cycloalkyl, C_3 - C_8 -cycloalkylcarbonyl, cyano- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, formyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkanoyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylcarbonyl- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;
a group $-N(R^{20})R^{21}$, where R^{20} and R^{21} have one of the meanings of R^{15} and R^{16} ;
phenyl or phenyl- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, where each phenyl ring is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy and C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl;
- R^4 is hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkynyl, C_3 - C_8 -cycloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -hydroxyalkyl, cyano- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl or phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy and C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl;
- R^5 is hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkynyl, C_3 - C_7 -cycloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -hydroxyalkyl, cyano- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, formyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl- C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl,
 $-N(R^{22})R^{23}$, where R^{22} and R^{23} have one of the meanings of R^{15} and R^{16} , or
phenyl which is unsubstituted or carries from one to three of the following radicals: cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy and C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, or